

Notice of Public Meeting of a Public Body

Sections 7.6, 7.7.4 and 7.9.1

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE – Governor's Forest Health COUNCILS

Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431, notice is hereby given to the members of the Forest Health Advisory & Oversight Councils and to the general public that the **Forest Health Advisory & Oversight Councils** will hold a meeting open to the public:

Wednesday, February 7, 2007 – 9:30 am – 12:00 am
County Supervisors Association –
1905 West Washington Street, Suite 100
Phoenix, AZ

Please note that this is a change in the regular meeting schedule

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Review and approve minutes for **1.11.07**
- 3) Subcommittees
 - a. Reports
 - i. Mapping & Assessment - Barron Orr
A formal relationship regarding between NM and AZ pertaining to Arizona Fire Map is being finalized. There was a discussion about the challenges of getting outside entities to load their data into the Map. Also, we discussed requiring recipients of state fore assistance grants to provide information to Arizona Fire Map as a part of their funding requirements. This requirement will be added to future grant agreements.
A Handout was provided on GEOserve
 - ii. Policy- Lori Faeth
Lori was not present but the Councils were informed that three pieces of legislation that reflect Council recommendations were introduced at the State Legislature. The legislation covers: a tax credit for red fuels; establishment of the Community Wildfire Protection Initiative and a Requirement for the State Fire Marshall to adopt a state wildland urban interface code.
 - iii. Utilization & Commerce - Steve Gatewood
This group has not been convened. However, members are participating in the design of a collaborative process that will first identify the amount of wood supply available for utilization in Arizona and then create recommendations for sustainable uses.
 - iv. Zoning & Implementation - Mayor Joe Donaldson
No report
 - v. Education - Michael Neal
No report
 - vi. 20 Year Strategy- Ethan Aumack
The Strategy is still in draft form and has a length of 130 pages. It is 75-80 % completed and Ethan hopes to have the Council provide final comments at the March meeting, with a final document completed by the end of March. The draft includes over 100 recommendations
- 4) Review and Discussion of the 20 Year Strategy-Ethan Aumack
The paper articulates a strategic approach to forest restoration. It includes the recommendations in the paper prepared by Don Falk. Don's paper will be put on the FHC website with links identified in the plan. Tom Sisk and Ethan Aumack provided an over view of the strategy. The Council comments were noted and people were encouraged to review and comment on the document before the March 1 meeting. How the document will be presented to the public was discussed.

- 5) Discussion of proposed changes to the Executive Order establishing the Councils- Lori Faeth
No report
- 6) Discussion of Land Use Paper- Don Falk
A letter from the Advisory and Oversight Council to the Governor's Growing Smarter and Growth Cabinet or a presentation will be our approach to communicating results to the Growth Cabinet.
- 7) Forest Health Day Recap- Heather Garbarino
There was a good turnout for the event despite competition from a lot of other activities. There was a discussion about making it an annual event.
- 8) Next Meeting
 - a. March 1, 2006- Phoenix—*Please note date change*
Presenter Keith Harrap from Australia presenting on Wildland Fire Use
- 9) Call to the Public
Adjourn 12:15p

Dated this January 11, 2006 - Governor's Forest Health Councils

CO-CHAIRS

Forest Health Advisory Council
Ethan Aumack-Grand Canyon Trust
Wally Covington- Ecological Restoration Institute, NAU

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